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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: "Civilian employers are #1 with the 910th Airlift Wing"

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YOUNGSTOWN AIR RESERVE STATION, OHIO – The engines of a C-130 Hercules roared to life, fire arms blazed as terrorists attacked and took hostages, and flames shot into the blue sky and engulfed the hulk of another Hercules during a mock training scenario. These will be just a few of the sights and sounds that approximately 40 civilian employers of unit reservists will be experiencing during the 910th Airlift Wing's annual Employer Awareness Day on Saturday, August 7, 2004.

The goal of Employer Awareness Day is to increase the awareness civilian employers have of the important part Air Force Reservists play in defense of the United States. The program allows the employers to experience several of the capabilities the 910th Airlift Wing's unit members provide to national defense and gives the employers the opportunity to visit with reservists in their military work centers.

The National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) is an organization within the Department of Defense with branches in each state. These state organizations assist employers as well as reservists in matters concerning the rights and responsibilities of reservists as well as the responsibilities of the employers under federal law. The ESGR participates in these types of programs to show appreciation to employers for their support of their employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve forces.

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NEWS MEDIA ADVISORY: News media representatives are invited to attend the live demonstration portion of the event scheduled to begin at approximately 1:30 p.m. Best photo opportunities will occur during the hostage rescue and fire events. Questions concerning the Air Force Reserve's participation in this event should be directed to the 910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs office at 330-609-1236. Media representatives wishing to attend this event should contact this office prior to 10:30 a.m. on August 7, 2004 by calling 330-233-2199.